



AI#24: GI Proposal Technical Evaluation

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Propose the responsible organization (Instrument Teams or GSSC) for running the technical feasibility evaluation of GI proposals.



Proposal

- **The GSSC is responsible for administering the peer review of the GLAST GI proposals on behalf of NASA HQ.**
 - **the GSSC is responsible to ensure that a technical review of the proposals is included in the peer review process.**
 - **the GSSC will manage the flow of proposals to, and the evaluations from, the instrument experts who will carry out the technical review prior to the scientific peer review.**
- **The instrument teams will provide the experts who will carry out the technical reviews in a timely manner.**
 - **these experts will determine whether a proposal is technically feasible, but will not determine whether the proposal should be accepted or rejected.**
 - **the wording of the charge to the experts for the evaluation will be reviewed by the GUC and will be available as part of the proposal instructions.**
 - **this is a significant contribution to the mission by the instrument teams.**
- **The results of the technical review will be available to the science peer review panel and will be included in the feedback to the proposer, independent of outcome.**



Instrument Team Reaction

- Both Peter and Chip accept this commitment of instrument team resources.
- Chip added the following comments based on the *CGRO* experience:
 - “The conflict of interest problem is real, and involving as few instrument team members as needed will help control this.”
 - Recommends “narrowing the instrument reviewer's focus by requiring a section in the proposal specifically addressing technical feasibility.”
- Peter also commented on the conflict of interest issue.